

## TELEGRAPHIC.

**WINNIPEG, Dec. 19.**  
Archbishop Langevin's mother is dead.  
Armenian missionaries at Marsovan are safe.  
Cuban insurgents have recently suffered two severe defeats.  
Winnipeg Orangemen approve of the action of Clarke Wallace.  
An effort is to be made to confirm the bankruptcy laws of Canada.  
Five men were killed by an explosion on the steamship St. Paul, near New York.  
Three candidates liberal, conservative and McCarthyite were nominated for Cardwell.  
The Manitoba government will send a reply to the rejoinder re school question on Saturday.  
United States ambassador Bayard received an enthusiastic reception at a banquet in London, England.  
Premier Bowell and whip Taylor are at variance with regard to the introduction of remedial legislation.  
The Venezuelan question and President Cleveland's message to congress in reference to maintaining the Monroe doctrine is commented on by the American and European press. The message is so jingoistic that an outbreak is feared.

## TO-DAY'S TRAIN.

**CALGARY, Dec. 19th.**  
Car four Larue & Picard, car coal for C.P. R., car sundries for various parties, car oil for Ross Bros.

## LOCAL.

The case of W. C. Rowland against E. J. Bangs is adjourned until to-morrow.  
Rev. J. Taylor of Sturgeon Methodist church left on Tuesday's train on a visit to friends in Ontario.  
BISHOP PASCAL of Saskatchewan, arrived on Monday's train and is visiting Bishop Grandin at St. Albert.  
Chas. Rine and Geo. Scheick of Spruce Grove left on Tuesday's train on a visit to friends near Elmira, Ontario.  
Archbishop Langevin left for St. Boniface and Bishop Grouard for British Columbia on Tuesday's train.

J. A. McDougall is expected to return from his trip to the Pacific coast and the Southern States to-night or on Monday, Dec. 23rd.

The general annual meeting of the shareholders of the Edmonton butter and cheese manufacturing association will be held in the town hall, Edmonton, on Monday, Dec. 23rd, at 2 o'clock p.m. when a statement of the affairs of the association will be submitted.

St. Geo. Jellett received a pleasant surprise by last train in the shape of a small barrel of hickory nuts from Ontario. The barrel weighed 50 pounds. He received another surprise when the freight bill was presented \$3.99, equal to a rate of \$9.00 per hundred pounds.

The Rocky Mountain Railway & Coal Company are applying for an extension of the time allowed for completion of the line and for power to extend the line from Calgary to or near Lethbridge and on to the boundary, with a branch to MacLeod. Loughheed & McCarter are the applicants.

W. R. EASTON, who came from Winnipeg a short time ago to take the management of the Edmonton Saddlery Co., here, caught cold on the way up and became so ill after his arrival as to be unable to take charge of the business. He returned to Winnipeg on Tuesday's train. J. C. Campbell is still manager.

GENERAL Superintendent Whyte, Divisional Superintendent Niblock and Master Mechanic Cross, came up on Monday's train and returned on Tuesday. They did not come across the river. While in South Edmonton they visited the new oatmeal mill, and other institutions of the place, commenting favorably on the progress shown. They were on a tour of inspection with a view to arrangements for a renewal of the lease of the road by the C. & E. company to the C. P. R.

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The public school entertainment which takes place on Monday evening next, Dec. 23rd, in Robertson hall bids fair to be one of the best entertainments of the season. Teachers and pupils have worked enthusiastically towards that end. The unavoidable absence of the principal, Mr. McKenzie, is to be regretted, but the preparations had been well advanced before he left and the work has not been allowed to slacken since. The features of the entertainment will be solo, duet and chorus singing, piano playing, motion song by fifteen girls, club swinging by nine boys, Japanese fan drill by sixteen girls, and a farce in which six boys and seven girls will take part. The admission will be 25c, and reserved seats 50c. Six school boys will act as ushers.

JOHN ROSS, Indian agent at Saddle Lake, is in town.

LAUREN'S show window is a Christmas dinner and celebration in itself.  
W. J. WRIGHT, trader, arrived from Lac la Biche to-day with a load of fur.

MR. AND MRS. JAS. ROSS and children will leave on a trip to Toronto on to-morrow's train.

The curling competition, president vice president, will commence on Monday. The sides are now being chosen. Nine rinks will take part.

The annual school meeting of Edmonton public school district will not be held on Thursday, Jan. 2nd, as announced, but on Saturday, Jan. 4th. The meeting will be held in the town council chamber at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

A PETITION to the town council was in circulation yesterday afternoon asking for public meeting to be held in Robertson hall on Saturday, Dec. 21st, 7:30, for the purpose of discussing the better railway facilities scheme and other business connected with the town.

## THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

The following is a synopsis of the reply of Archbishop Langevin to the address of the Catholics of Edmonton delivered in St. Joseph's church on Sunday afternoon last: Archbishop Langevin in reply expressed his thanks for the expressions contained in the address and for the opportunity which it gave him of stating his views. The school question was looked upon as of the very first importance by Catholics, who in their present stand on the subject were fighting for their rights, and would defend those rights if necessary to the death. They were not slaves. This question was not one that could be settled by synods. It must be settled by that court of higher jurisdiction, the parliament of Canada. And unless parliament granted Catholics their school rights confederation could not stand. He could not understand how, when a government does its duty it should not be supported. This was not a question of Catholic or Protestant, but of right and justice. A commission of enquiry had been suggested. For five years we have had nothing but the school question. Everyone knew about it. It was strange that the matter had been before the courts from year to year and yet we knew nothing of it. Even the children could tell of the school question. No—we needed no commission, but justice and right. A commission on this question would be an insult to the country and every one in it. When England made her laws she did not possess all the lands she does now. And when she makes her treaties those treaties stand good even if she adds to her possessions. If Australia did not belong to England, English treaties would stand just the same. Then it should be so in the case of Canada, as in that of England. An addition to the Territory of Manitoba did not abrogate the agreement regarding Manitoba. Catholics claimed their constitutional rights. They claimed that the minority of the Territories have the same constitutional rights as in Ontario. As long as you in the Territories have not your school books, your teachers, your inspectors, your training for teachers, you have no separate schools in fact. Are your interests protected on the council of public instruction by a representative without a vote? The council meets and may listen to your representative, but does as it pleases afterwards. Such a system could not be accepted. He had a direct interest in the school question in the Northwest, as a part of the district of Assiniboia was included within his diocese. The Catholics of the Territories were bound in conscience to fight to obtain here what they in Manitoba wanted, and were bound to have. He was pleased to see that the laity were with the hierarchy on this question. It had been insinuated that the hierarchy held stronger views on this subject than the laity, and he was glad to have it thus proven that it was not so. The duties of the hierarchy and laity were the same. It was the duty of every Catholic to educate the children under his care according to his conscience. The first right in respect of education belongs to parents, and parents were bound as well as the clergy to answer before God for the education of their children. As you give them food and raiment, you must give them moral training. At the great tribunal you will be asked the question "did you give moral and religious training?" Catholics as well as Protestants wanted a first class education, and he denied that the education of Catholics was inferior to that of Protestants. Our public men can perform their duties as well as others. A Manitoba member had admitted to the speaker that the Catholic members of parliament were superior to the Protestant members in education. We want our children to be good and then to be learned. Catholic children should receive Catholic instruction. Under the present regulations in the Northwest, when the children had been tired with the day's work, during the last half hour religion was allowed to be brought in. This could only tend to disgust the children with religious teaching. Food must be given daily. Moral training should be instilled in the minds of the pupils throughout their whole course of study. In conclusion he thanked his beloved people from the bottom of his heart for their address. He was sure that the bishops of St. Albert and Athabasca-Mackenzie aided with him in the stand taken on this question and in his gratitude for the expressions contained in the address.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

**TEACHER WANTED.**  
Lady teacher for Beaver Creek school district. Duties to commence Jan. 1st, '96. Apply stating qualifications to  
THOS. MOORE, Secretary,  
Fort Saskatchewan P. O.

## NOTICE OF Dissolution of Partnership.

To all whom it may concern:  
Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between John C. Gordon, of Manawau, Alberta, and John A. Mitchell, of Regina, Assiniboia, under the firm name and style of Gordon & Mitchell, and for the purpose of carrying on the business of ranching at Manawau, aforesaid, has been dissolved by mutual consent.  
The business is continued by the undersigned under the firm name and style of Mitchell & Co., by whom all claims against the original partnership will be received.  
Dated at Regina, Assn., this 11th day of December, A. D. 1895.

(Signed) JOHN A. MITCHELL.

**G. B. BILLO,**  
Watchmaker. St. Albert.

At work and of Bridge.  
Repairs promptly attended to. Satisfaction guaranteed.

## OPENING . . . Announcement

**WM. MADAM & CO.**

We beg to announce that we have opened up our new business in Turnbull & Madam's old stand, Jasper Avenue and are prepared to supply all orders on the shortest notice.

Christmas Orders a Specialty.

Free delivery to any part of town.  
Strictly cash Sales. Small profits and quick returns.

## Sale, Sale, Sale!

The Great Cost Sale still going on at

**The E. L. Smith Co.,**

Everything at Cost  
and even less to clear, as we must positively get rid of our stock, which is the nearest, richest and best in town. We want to be able to leave here as soon as possible. Hence our special offer.

Dolls at cost, Xmas Cards at cost, Toys at cost  
Fancy Goods at cost, Stationery at cost,  
Push Boxes at cost, Photo Frames at cost,  
Chinaware at cost, Everything at cost.

Come and see what you can buy for two bits at the

**E. L. SMITH & CO.**

Parties wishing to buy Confectionery for Church Socials or Christmas Trees will do well to give us a call before purchasing, as we give a special reduced price on goods purchased for church entertainments or social gatherings at

## Clarke's Grocery.

One door west of Telegraph Office.

## LACOMBE.

## Dissolution of Partnership.

This is to certify that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, carrying on business under the style and firm of Morris & Co., has this second day of December, A. D. 1895, been dissolved by mutual consent.

Dated this second day of December, A. D. 1895.  
Signed in the presence of  
P. TALBOT, J. P. CHAS. E. MORRIS,  
M. J. MACLEOD.

## NOTICE.

The above business will hereafter be carried on at the old stand, by the undersigned, who takes this opportunity of thanking the public for past favors and of soliciting a continuance of the same.

M. J. MACLEOD,  
Lacombe.

**G. BERG,**

BAKER AND CONFECTIONER,

Begs to inform his customers and friends that he has on hand a full stock of Xmas Goods, including Xmas Plum Cakes, rich and plain, to suit his customers. Also a large assortment of Sweet Biscuits, Sodas, by the box or pound. Applies in great variety, wholesale and retail.  
Xmas Candy Boxes,  
Walnuts, Peanuts, Almonds, Butternuts, Filberts and Brazil, Bon-bons, Pop Corn. This season's Jam and Marmalade, Maple and Icing Sugars, Cigars and Cigarettes.

Wishing all a very joyful Xmas.

**G. BERG.**

## JUST ARRIVED!

AT THE MANCHESTER HOUSE

Some Seasonable Lines in LADIES' WOOLLEN UNDERWEAR, FLANNELETTE NIGHT DRESSES, and UNDERWEAR, CORSETS AND BLOUSES, etc. Also a splendid selection of Fancy Flannelettes, and Silks of Lovely Design for Blouses.

## Men's Furnishings

In this department will be found a nice range of WHITE DRESS SHIRTS, WARM WOOLLEN UNDERWEAR, SILK AND WOOLLEN MUFFLERS, FUR CAPS, MOCCASINS, MITTS, GLOVES, ETC.

## Household Furnishings

BLANKETS, SHEETING, QUILTS, TABLE LINEN, Art Muslins, Cretonnes, Etc., Etc.

## Fancy and Xmas. Goods

Ample provision has also been made for the approaching festive Season. In Xmas and Fancy Goods will be found one of the finest assortments in the city.

Since its establishment in 1836, the Manchester House has, by general acclamation, been recognized as the store at which the best values in the city could be obtained, and since adopting the Ready Cash System, this, its distinguishing feature, is to an even greater extent patent to all impartial observers, as by its means I am enabled to sell all goods handled by me at Montreal prices, adding only a slight percentage to cover freight.

Purchasers anxious to procure the greatest amount of reliable goods at the smallest possible outlay, should, before purchasing elsewhere, pay a visit to the Manchester House, where goods will be willingly shown and quotations given without necessitating a single purchase.

Parties at a distance can have samples of Dress Goods, etc., forwarded on application. There is a competent Dressmaker on the premises.

TERMS STRICTLY CASH. Positively no exceptions.

**W. JOHNSTONE WALKER.**

## Selling Out!

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OF CHRISTMAS STOCK.

Owing to this mild weather the snow is going fast, so must my Christmas Stock of Toys, Fancy Goods, etc., etc., etc. IMMENSE REDUCTIONS, but nothing at cost, "won't pay." Call and see. Come all of ye who want Christmas Goods from now to New Year.

**F. H. ANDREWS' Bookstore.**

## Xmas. 1895 Xmas.

When making your purchases for the holiday season call and look over our stock of novelties.

Gents' China and Surah Handkerchiefs in large sizes for 50c., 75c. and \$1.00

Ladies' Embroidered Silk Handkerchiefs for 15c., 25c. and 50c.

Gents' Fancy Braces for 75c., \$1.00 and \$1.50, a very useful present.

Ladies' Fancy Moccasins and Slippers for \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Gents' Cashmere and Silk Mufflers for 25c., 50c., 75c., \$1.00 and \$1.50.

Gents' Fine Leather and Plush Slippers for \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Call and look at our stock. We will be pleased to show you all we have.

Yours for a Merry Xmas. and a Happy New Year,

**W. T. HENRY & Co.**

**XMAS PRESENTS**



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If you want to be fully satisfied with the Xmas. Presents you buy this year be sure to come in and see my beautiful stock of GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES, GEM RINGS, the largest stock of Jewelry I have ever had. Also the latest in Silverware, and Porcelain and Enameled Clocks. Make sure and come in and see for yourself.

**E. RAYMER.**



## LOCAL.

TRAIN left Calgary on time.  
PENNY readings to-morrow night.  
C. F. STRANK is expected to return from Banff to-night.  
CHICKENS retail at 12½c a pound. Geese at 15c and turkeys at 18c.  
J. T. BLOWEY displays some very hand-some pictures and frames in the windows of his furniture store.

E. LADOUER, trader, of Lac la Biche, came in on Tuesday for a supply of goods for Christmas trade. He returned to-day. The cold snap of Sunday, Monday and Tuesday moderated on Wednesday causing an improvement in business. The sleighing is now excellent.

PENNY readings entertainment in Hour-aton hall to-morrow, Friday evening, at 7:30, by the South Edmonton Presbyterian church choir. Admission 10c.

The following recipe for bachelors plum pudding has been handed the BULLETIN: Take a pound each of everything that is good, tie in a rag and boil all day.

An object sermon to young people in the Methodist church next Sabbath a. m. Subject "The overflowing cup"; the evening sermon, "A Christmas without Christ."

GARIEPY & CHENIER, general merchants, have issued a very beautiful calendar for 1896. It is a parlor scene, with the bright costumes of the olden time, and is entitled "A match for Her Guardian."

REV. C. STEPHENS, at one time Presby-terian minister at Medicine Hat and now agent for the Upper Canada Bible Society, will deliver an address on behalf of the Bible Society in the Baptist church this evening at 8:30. He will arrive on to-night's train.

THE Sabbath school and friends of the Methodist church, South Edmonton, will give a Christmas Tree and entertainment in Parrish's hall, South Edmonton on Christmas night, to begin at 8 p. m. Admission, adults 25 cents, children 15 cents. There will be a Christmas box for every one who attends.

## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Alberta—Geo. W. Graham, Fort Sas-katchewan; J. D. Griffiths, H. M. Bing, C. F. Cardwell, T. R. Haddon, Sturgeon; E. L. Rothwell, Bitter Lake; J. D. Cowan, J. Ryan.

Queen's—Camille Verstraete, J. B. Lang-lais, St. Albert; O. Letourneau and wife, Beaver Lake; R. Lindow, N. Millette, Fort Saskatchewan.

Jasper—Geo. W. Gairdner, St. Albert, C. F. Stewart, Ft. Saskatchewan; P. B. Cunliff, Sturgeon; Hugh McGillivray, J. Johnston, Miss Johnston, Mal. Johnston, Hans Brown, Stony Plain; J. E. Rose, O. F. Braden, Ft. Saskatchewan; W. Trotter, Art. Adamson, Clover Bar; Jas. Atkinson, J. Fitzgerald, P. C. Hamilton, Agricola, H. Miller, Spruce Grove; W. Wilkie, South Edmonton.

## POLICE COURT.

The preliminary examinations in the case of D. McDonough, J. Crosswhite and J. H. Williams, of the youth side, were held before Insp. Snyder on Monday, Tues-day and Wednesday. McDonough was charged with having broken into an un-occupied house belonging to A. Leveque and stealing sleigh runners therefrom. He was committed for trial. Bown for Mc-Donough, Emery for the crown. J. Cross-white was charged with having received the goods knowing them to be stolen. He was also committed for trial. H. C. Taylor for Crosswhite. Emery for the crown. J. H. Williams pleaded guilty to the charge of having stolen the sleigh runners from Leveque and was committed for trial.

## TOWN COUNCIL.

At the council meeting last night all the members except Councillors Strang and Kelly were present. A motion was passed endorsing the immigration pamphlet on the Edmonton district published by Thos. Spence. Communications from Sir Mac-Kenzie Bowell and the department of rail-ways acknowledging receipt of resolution regarding Edmonton district railway were filed. C. W. J. Haworth claimed \$25 damages on account of horse stepping on broken bottle. Referred to solicitors. St. Geo. Jellett, tax collector, applied for in-crease of salary. Filed. The petition of certain ratepayers for a public meeting in Robertson hall on Saturday evening next at 7:30 p. m., was granted. The committee appointed to report respecting violations of the license by-law was requested to report at next meeting. A communication from P. Heimnick & Co., regarding pamphlet was filed. The branch pipe received from Grath & Co., of Montreal, was returned as not being according to order. By-law 109 appointing A. G. Randall returning officer and St. Geo. Jellett deputy for the municipal election, was passed. Finance report adopted. Health and relief report was filed. A letter was read from W. T. Jennings re-garding the Edmonton district railway. Council adjourned until Monday, Dec. 30th.

## CURLING.

The first curling game of the season was held on the rink on Wednesday evening. The ice was in splendid condition. Ten ends were played. The following was the result:

J. Short. H. Cameron.  
J. Thurston. J. M. Douglas.  
W. McKay. J. W. Shera.  
R. Vance—7. Jas. McDonald—6.

## MARKETS.

Business is brisk to-day. Quotations for grain unchanged and deliveries are fairly large. Beef is 5½c to 6c by the carcass, 5c to 6c by the quarter and 8c for loin. Live hogs are 4c with satisfactory deliveries. The demand for dressed hogs is falling off. The price is 4½c to 5c. Local poultry is be-ginning to come in. Turkeys bring 13c, geese and ducks 10c, and chickens 8c a pound. Butter plentiful at 20c to 25c. Eggs scarce at 25c to 30c. Hay plentiful at \$3.00 to \$4.00.

## SUPREME COURT.

The case of Heimnick vs. the town of Ed-monton, occupied the attention of the court during Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday forenoon. The arguments were concluded on Tuesday forenoon and judgment was reserved.  
The case of Moran vs. Graham was then taken up and was continued during Wednes-day.



About a year ago now we inserted a Xmas advt in the BULLETIN for a short time to advocate the desirability of giving a useful and durable present at Xmas. We were well pleased with the results, besides having added to the comfort and brightening a good many homes in and around Edmonton during the past year. So we feel perfectly justified in again coming to you and saying that in our opinion there is nothing more acceptable in the home than a nice piece or set of furniture. In fact we feel we cannot color this picture too highly. It is appropriate for both rich and poor and within the reach of all. What would gladden the heart of a wife or mother more than a Rocker or a half dozen good common chairs in a home where they are needed; and which you can buy for \$1.75 and \$3.90 respectively; or if it is more particularly for your wife's or sister's own use, the first payment on a Sewing Machine, or say a nice Lady's Secretary. We have them, all kinds and grades, from \$5.00 in antique to the most elaborate quarter cut Oak at \$38.00. If for husband, brother or father, say a good comfortable Chair or Lounge. In fact we have so much that goes to make home comfortable and attractive, and at prices so close, that if you will call at our warerooms we will assist you in choosing a present that is quite within your means and that will be a joy to the recipient for years to come.

J. T. BLOWEY,

Agent for the Heintzman Piano, Doherty Organ and Raymond Sewing Machine.

YOU WILL SOON BE LOOKING FOR...

## . Xmas. Presents .

A glance at my WEST WINDOW will convince you that I have the nicest line in town in

Leather Dressing Cases, Plush Toilet Sets, Odor Cases, Etc.

GEO. H. GRAYDON, - Post Office Drug Store, EDMONTON, ALBERTA.

## Stop That Draft!

### Rubber Faced Weather Strips

Around Windows and Doors keep out wind, snow and cold, save coal and ensure winter comfort.

## EDMONTON HARDWARE COMPANY

THE BEST...

## Christmas . Gift

You can buy for your Wife and Children is a

### Great West Life Assurance Policy.

Plans, rates and terms to suit all sorts and conditions of healthy men.

Cowie & Gairdner, - IMPERIAL BANK BLOCK, EDMONTON. REAL ESTATE AGENTS.

## METEOROLOGICAL.

The following temperatures are reported from the Dominion government observatory, Edmonton, for the dates given:

December.	Max.	Min.
Monday, 16,	-9	
Tuesday, 17,	0	-23
Wednesday, 18,	24	-3
Thursday, 19,		12

Barometer reduced to sea level 29.881.

## SPECIAL OFFER

To January 1st, '96, Semi-Weekly BULLETIN and Weekly Globe or Mail and Empire for a year for \$2.00. in advance.

WANTED.—A man for every unoccu-pied district of Manitoba, Northwest Territories and British Columbia to represent our hardy Canadian grown Nursery stock and new seed potatoes. Liberal inducement to whole or part time men. Experienced salesmen will find this offer a good one. Implement agents, farmers, farmers' sons, cheesemakers and school teachers will do well to look into this. Men devoting but part time do well with us. Stock especially grown for the Western section. Send postal to Toronto, Ontario, for particulars.  
STONE & WELLINGTON, Prop's of "Fonthill" Nurseries, Largest in the Dominion—over 700 acres. Head office, Toronto, Ontario.  
Branches: Chicago, Ill., Montreal, P. Q. 7-25

## WATCH FOR W. R. HOWEY'S DISPLAY OF Christmas Meats

Beef, Pork, Mutton, Turkeys, etc., Sausage, Spare Ribs, Pig Feet, Pig Heads, Tenderloin, Tongues, Hearts and Cured Meats,

CHEAP FOR CASH.

## NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, in the St. Albert settlement under the name, style and firm of "Farrell & Co." has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to John B. A. Farrell at St. Albert, and all claims are to be presented to the said John B. A. Farrell, by whom the same will be arranged.

Dated this 24th day of November, A. D. 1895.  
MARY B. FARRELL.  
J. B. LANGLAIR.  
Witness: ANTONIO PRINCE. 5-16

Something New in Xmas. Cards.

## The Wild Flowers of Alberta.

Just the thing to send your friends in the east.

## D. W. Macdonald's DRUG STORE.

## Edmonton Cartage COMPANY.

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## MANITOBA ON THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

Free Press: Since the school question was last touched upon by the Free Press, two notable incidents have occurred, viz.: the semi-official announcement of Mr. Greenway and the resignation from the Dominion cabinet of Mr. Clark Wallace. The announcement of Mr. Greenway is significant, and suggests that up to that time the matter had been the subject of some negotiation between the Ottawa and Local cabinets—formal or informal—and that no agreement had been reached. If this has been the case, and the restoration of a separate school system in this province had been put forward as essential by the Ottawa government, no one will question for a moment that Mr. Greenway's government arrived at the only decision possible to it. The state of public opinion in this province is overwhelmingly against the restoration of separate schools; and no government can propose such a measure and retain power. Further, the opinion expressed by the privy council, that no violation of the law of 1890 was necessary, only such amendment of it as might be deemed sufficient to remove certain grievances, suggested so strongly that the restoration of separate schools was not necessary to a settlement, that the Free Press has urged the Ottawa government to act independently in this direction. That such action would not have been effective in preventing the threatened legislation at Ottawa, may have been the reason of inaction here, seems quite probable. If this is so, it is a sufficient reason; and it throws the onus of an unheard of interference upon the Dominion government, and adds another to the lamentable mistakes they have already made in the matter. No matter how the Dominion parliament may agree or divide on the proposed interference, Manitoba will be a unit in opposing it by every constitutional means.

The incident of Mr. Clark Wallace's resignation is merely corroborative evidence that the ultimatum of the restoration of separate schools or nothing, had been arrived at. The pending bye-elections cannot be expected to indicate anything as to this late and sudden phase of the question. Little now remains to be done but wait with patience we may for the formal announcement to be made to parliament in January.

## NORTH ONTARIO.

The election in North Ontario held on Dec. 15th, was important in that it was the first of a series of bye-elections to be held immediately before the session of parliament at which the government is pledged to pass remedial legislation in regard to Manitoba schools, and therefore the question of that remedial legislation formed a very important feature of the campaign. The constituency has been conservative and liberal by turns ever since confederation. In 1887 it went conservative by 158 and in 1891 by 250. In the election just over the conservative candidate was 754 votes ahead of the patron and 1044 ahead of the liberal candidate. The votes polled were: McGilvray, conservative, 2188; Brandon, patron, 1314; and Gillespie, liberal, 1124. The combined patron and liberal vote was 270 greater than the solid conservative vote, like that of the previous bye-elections leaves very much in doubt just what is the opinion of the electors of North Ontario on the question of remedial legislation which they were supposed to express by their votes. The government candidate refused to pledge himself on the subject, and the leader of the government campaign, Hon. Mr. Foster, specifically contradicted the position which he announced at the prorogation of parliament as that of the government as to the measure of the proposed remedial legislation. At the close of parliament he announced that the separate schools of Manitoba were to be re-established as they were before. In North Ontario he announced that they would only be re-established subject to the same regulations in educational matters as public schools. To complicate the matter still more Clarke Wallace, controller of customs, stumped the constituency for the government candidate—and the day before election resigned from the cabinet because he did not agree with the government's remedial policy, although that policy had been greatly modified if Foster's statement was to be believed. The patron and the liberal candidates both declared against remedial legislation although the liberal candidate was a Roman Catholic. To confuse the result as much as the question was already confused, the formerly liberal Catholic township of Rama gave a small conservative majority, while the adjoining liberal Catholic township of Morn increased its former liberal majorities. While the election does not make the views of the people of North Ontario on the question of remedial legislation very clear, it does make clear that the conservatives won a great victory against odds, and that furthermore if the liberals and patrons, who both make tariff for revenue the chief ground of their opposition to the government expect to defeat the policy of tariff for protection—or more properly for robbery—they must refrain from opposing each other. The tariff for revenue vote of the patrons and liberals combined showed a handsome majority over the conservative vote and yet the conservatives have won a great victory. There is no doubt that with the opponents of their main policy divided, the government finds its school policy a source of strength rather than of weakness, and is working it for all it is worth. There is very little doubt that Clarke Wallace's resignation on the eve of the election was for the purpose of allowing the government party to get full benefit of its remedial legislation policy. But what its subsequent effect will be remains to be seen. In any case the result in North Ontario should teach the friends of tariff reform, by whatever name they may call themselves or be called, that they must combine if not actually unite in order to win.

E. E. Sheppard, of Toronto, Saturday Night, has taken editorial charge of the Toronto Evening Star, and will support M. C. Carthy.

The Toronto World speaks of the resignation of Clark Wallace from the cabinet as a crisis. It believes that the ultra protestant section of the electors of North Ontario did not hear of it until after election day. It asserts that Wallace and E. F. Clarke, editor of the Orange Sentinel and ex-mayor of Toronto, will force the government candidate in Cardwell to retire, and speaks of the probability of a combination between McCarthy, Wallace and Clarke.

## WETASKIWIN.

The smoking concert which took place Friday evening proved a very enjoyable affair. Songs and recitations by Messrs. Macdonnell, Dickson, Jacobs and other, whose talent in this line approached professional standard, received such appreciation as to suggest the giving of a public entertainment during Xmas week. This has practically been arranged for Xmas eve, the same evening which is to be followed by the twenty round glove contest between Simpson and Kolb. The latter event will be the "boune bouche" after the musicale, as we call it on Fifth avenue, but will be held in a separate hall. Considerable wagering has been indulged in by the local bloods. There is little doubt that the spectators will get a very fast run for their money. Admission will be 50c.

Petitions are being signed throughout this district for seed grain.

The snow storm has kept ranchmen at home, but it is wonderful how business does keep up.

## GENERAL NEWS.

A charity ball held recently in Calgary netted \$402.20 for the general hospital.

The entire plant of the Watson Manufacturing Company, including plant at Ayr, lands in Muskoka and Manitoba, were sold at the judge's chambers, Berlin, Ont., recently, for the sum of \$14,500. The Watson Manufacturing Company was one time a very prosperous institution and did a large trade in agricultural machinery. They were not in the combine.

At Calgary on Wednesday evening, Dec. 12: Fred Collings, a lad about fourteen years of age, was accidentally shot by his companion, Frank Martin. The boys had revolvers apiece, and were going from the C. P. R. station to a shed near by to practice with them when Collings suggested in sport a duel. They retired to opposite sides of the room, pointed their weapons and fired. Martin's weapon was at half cock and unaccountably went off. The ball struck Collings fair in the forehead, penetrating fully three inches. The lad became unconscious and cannot recover. His companion is distracted. An operation was performed which was unsuccessful. The doctors probed 2 1/2 inches into the brain, but could not find the bullet. His life is despaired of.

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To Wit:

In the matter of the Land Titles Act, 1894; and in the matter of that certain registered mortgage made by Ida Stirling Randall to the Dominion Building & Loan Association on lot number fifteen (15), block number four (4), as shown upon registered plan "A" of River Lot ten (10) of the Edmonton Settlement.

Upon hearing the application of the Mortgagees for foreclosure herein, and upon reading the affidavit and papers filed therewith, and satisfactory proof of service of notice of such application on the Mortgagor having been made:

I do order that notice be published once a week for three consecutive weeks in the Edmonton Bulletin, a newspaper published in the Town of Edmonton, in the said district, offering said land for sale, and fixing Wednesday, the 15th day of January, 1895, as the date upon or after which the said Mortgagees may make application for and obtain an absolute order for foreclosure of all the estate, right, title, interest and equity of redemption of the Mortgagor, of, in and to the said lands and every part thereof, pursuant to the provisions of Section 78 of the said Land Titles Act 1894.

Dated at Edmonton this 23rd day of October, A. D. 1895.

Signed, D. L. SCOTT, J.S.C.

N.B.—The above lands are hereby offered for sale pursuant and subject to the above order. For further particulars apply to

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Dated the 26th November, 1895.

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**MONDAY, THE 23rd DAY OF DECEMBER, 1895**

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All and singular lot number 65, in River Lot 8, in the Town of Edmonton, in the District of Alberta, in the Northwest Territories of Canada, as shown upon a map or plan of said River Lot, of record in the Land Titles Office for the North Alberta Land Registration District as Plan "E."

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The purchaser shall deposit 25 per cent. of his purchase money at the time of sale, and shall pay the balance within fourteen days thereafter. Other terms and conditions made known at the time of sale, or on application to

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## NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the next session thereof, for an Act to incorporate a company to construct a railway and to work the same either by steam or electric power, or both, from the city of Winnipeg, in the province of Manitoba, to a crossing of the Saskatchewan river at or near Grand Rapids, thence by the most practicable route to deep water navigation on Hudson's Bay, with a branch line from a point at or near the international boundary between Kansas and the northwestern corner of the province of Manitoba, in the province of Manitoba, running in a southerly or northwesterly direction to its intersection with the main line; also a branch line from a point on the main line near Grand Rapids, to Edmonton via Prince Albert and Battleford, in the Northwest Territories, with power to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines along the said railway and branches for all purposes, together with all the powers, rights and privileges usually granted in respect to railways and telegraph lines.

GEO. ELTON KIDD,  
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EDMONTON BULLETIN, DECEMBER 19TH, 1906

## THE ELECTIONS AND THE CHARTER.

As the date of the municipal elections approach it becomes in order to discuss the possibilities in municipal government for the coming year. As far as known the members of the present council intend to offer for re-election, and no other candidates have yet come forward. The principal question before the electors is that of the railway charter now being applied for, under which it is proposed that the town of Edmonton shall secure direct railway connection. The importance to the town of securing that connection can scarcely be overestimated, and upon the terms under which it is secured depends the future welfare of the place. It is of the last degree of importance to Edmonton that its interests in the matter of this railway charter shall be safeguarded, and it is to the council that the ratepayers must look for the safeguarding of their interests. Under the circumstances the ratepayers naturally expect that those who ask for a renewal of their confidence will place before them the grounds upon which they claim that renewal. In short that they will set forth in unmistakable terms just what they propose to do if re-elected in the matter of this railway charter and how the interests of the town are to be safeguarded. It is to be regretted that up to the present time they have not seen fit to do so, and on the only occasion on which public reference has been made to the matter, namely at the Old Timers dinner, many of those present inferred from the remarks of the mayor and councillors Edmiston, Kelly and Picard that they did not intend to do so. If this is the intention—namely that the charter shall be passed without the electors having an opportunity of knowing what are its provisions and if necessary having those provisions made to conform to the town's interests—the BULLETIN is compelled to dissent most strongly from it, and to claim that each ratepayer of the town has the same interest in the provisions of the charter as the ratepayers who for the time being compose the town council. While it is quite within the power of the council to secure the passage of any charter that they may please, and while they may claim that their position entitles them on occasion to do that without reference to the ratepayers, that is not the present case. It is not a council in office that is to secure the passage of a certain charter, but a council to be elected, and if those councillors who have already taken certain steps regarding the charter offer for re-election it is all the more reason that they should declare definitely and publicly what they have done and what they propose to do. If the present council is re-elected without the electors being made aware of the particulars of their railway project it will simply mean that the electors have formally endorsed they know not what; which is something that no body of property holders in the world can afford to do, and which very few municipal councils would ask their ratepayers to do. It is something like two months since the council decided to get a railway charter passed, they have already drawn from the town treasury the charges for its passage, the session of parliament before which it is to be presented will meet two weeks from today, and the municipal elections will be on in a week or two more. Under the circumstances there can be no complaint that information is being asked for too soon. If all information regarding the charter is not to hand it certainly should be. Surely the council has not taken the town's money to pay for the passage of a charter of whose provisions they are not aware. If the town has to pay the whole cost of the

passage of this charter does it not or should it not belong to the town and to the town alone? And if it belongs to the town the ratepayers of the town have the same undoubted right to know all that it contains and that it does not contain, as they have in respect to any other property of the town.

An important point in this connection on which the ratepayers are entitled to information is in regard to the street railway charter procured by the town a couple of years ago which was held out as making full provision for the direct railway connection that is so much desired and that is the principal object of the proposed charter. This street railway charter was considered good enough at the time it was passed and cost the town a very considerable amount of money. It was considered good enough by the present council to incur last spring an expenditure of several hundred dollars in survey work. If that charter is good enough to secure the object desired, why replace it by another at additional expense? This is a matter upon which the present council can surely give an explanation, even if they do not think it necessary to explain regarding their own scheme. On the other hand the ratepayers who composed the council which incurred the expenditure connected with securing the street railway charter, owe an explanation to the electors if that charter is not sufficient for its purpose. Everyone supposed that under its provisions arrangements could be made for the bringing of the traffic of the C. & E. railway into Edmonton. That is what the people want of the present charter. If the first charter was good the second one is not necessary. And if the second one is necessary, those who as councillors were a party to procuring the first charter should even at this late date come forward and state the reasons for their action. The ratepayers of this town have no money to fool away on railway charters or railway schemes of any kind. They want the railway and are willing to pay for it, but some of them at any rate would like to know exactly when and upon what terms they may expect to get it. There may be times and occasions in which it is necessary to transact public business with closed doors. But the BULLETIN has no hesitation in saying that the time is past for closed doors in connection with this railway business. If it is not now in shape to stand daylight it is either because it has not been properly pushed to a conclusion during the time that has elapsed or it is not of a nature to bear public inspection.

### CLARKE WALLACE.

The Toronto World (Conservative) publishes the following interview with Clarke Wallace, ex controller of customs, on the subject of his resignation.

"But," said the reporter, "you were a member of the Government which pledged itself at the last session of Parliament to introduce remedial legislation in the event of the provincial authorities not finding a solution?"

"No, you are mistaken," Mr. Wallace replied. "I was a member of the government, but not of the Cabinet. I had not therefore, the privilege of sitting at the council Board, and of determining the policy that should govern the ministry on the question. So I was not responsible, as the members of the Government were, and thus had no responsibility for the course that was announced last July. At that time, however, I was assured that the representations about to be made to Manitoba would remove the question from the federal arena. Being satisfied now that the Manitoba government will take no action, and Parliament having been called to meet on the 2nd of January, I have thought it proper to give effect by my resignation to the opinion which I have always held and to which I have given utterance on several occasions. It had been my hope that the provincial government of Manitoba would deal with this question in a way to remove it from the arena of federal politics, to which it does not at all belong. But that hope having been disappointed, no other course consistent with my opinions, and what I conceive to be my duty was open to me. I am bound to accept the statements of the Premier and of the leader of the house of commons that under the circumstances which now present themselves their pledge will be carried out, and for that reason you can readily understand why as a life-long conservative, and as one who intends to remain of the same party, it is an obligation resting upon me to let the government of the day know precisely the course I intend to pursue rather than to seem by longer retaining the controllership of customs to be in sympathy with their policy on this question. I am, you will see, as a result of my resignation, free to vote on this question when it arises in accordance with what I believe to be the sentiments of the province of Ontario upon it, and as I conceive it, of a majority of the people of Canada. I shall however, be found in the future as I have been in the past, a firm supporter of the general policy of the conservative party. I

recognize fully the seriousness of the step which I have taken. It certainly could be charged against me that it is a selfish one. But I have felt so strongly the undesirability of interfering with the province of Manitoba in the control of its educational affairs, and so strongly against imposing the separate school system on that province against the will of its people, as to convince me of the propriety of the step I have taken, and I look for the confidence and good-will of my friends in that step."

"Will not your course be damaging to the conservative party?" the reporter asked.

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